

# ARKANSAS BROILER HATCHERY



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## ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS UP SLIGHTLY FROM LAST YEAR

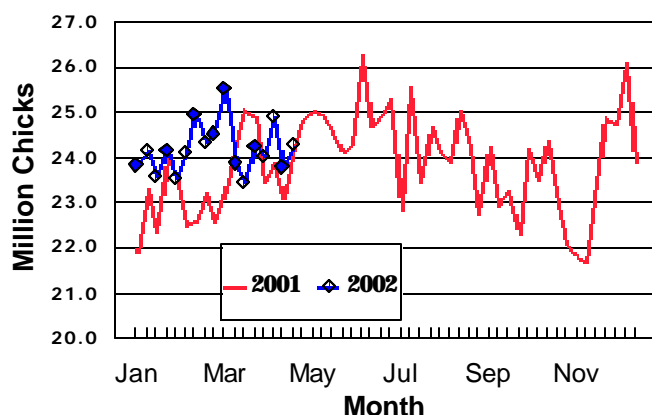
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas was 24.3 million during the week ending April 27, 2002. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week in 2001, and up 2 percent from the previous week, and included 2.9 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through April 27, 2002 were 411.7 million, up 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week was 25.5 million, up 1 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, and up 3 percent from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 3.6 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 82.8 percent.

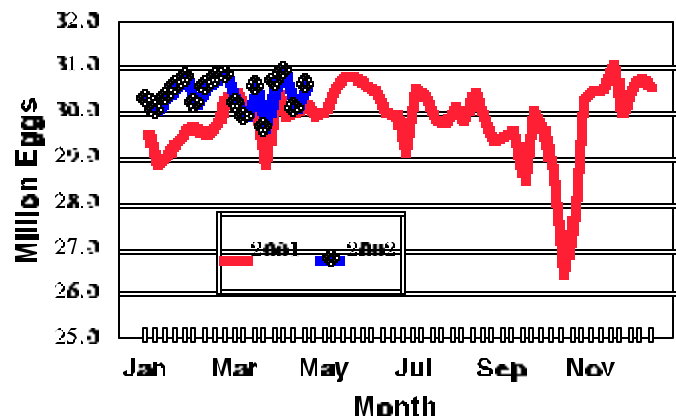
Arkansas hatcheries set 30.7 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending April 27, 2002, up 1 percent from the same period last year, and up 2 percent from the previous week.

Week Ending	NET PLACEMENTS			CHICKS HATCHED			EGGS SET		
	2001	2002	%	2001	2002	% Change	2001	2002	% Change
	1,000			1,000			1,000		
Mar.	25,105	23,490	94	25,259	25,539	101	29,987	30,641	102
Mar.	24,931	24,294	97	25,336	25,067	99	28,886	29,747	103
Apr. 6	23,484	24,056	102	25,003	24,711	99	30,602	30,730	100
Apr. 13	23,908	24,951	104	24,822	25,468	103	30,029	30,962	103
Apr. 20	23,120	23,786	103	23,852	24,659	103	30,087	30,175	100
Apr. 27	24,291	24,331	100	25,267	25,454	101	30,253	30,698	101

**CHICKS PLACED IN ARKANSAS, 2001 - 2002**



**EGGS SET, 2001 - 2002**



# **BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 15 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2002**

EGGS SET (in Thousands)						CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
	Week Ending				1/		Week Ending				1/	
STATE	06-Apr	13-Apr	20-Apr	27-Apr	%	23-Mar	30-Mar	06-Apr	13-Apr	20-Apr	27-Apr	%
Alabama	29,691 *	29,432	29,297	29,268	101	22,769	22,372	21,763	22,191	22,148	22,014	105
ARKANSAS	30,730	30,962	30,175	30,698	101	23,490	24,294	24,056	24,951	23,786	24,331	100
Delaware	3,556	3,545	3,501	3,583	100	5,167	4,762	5,708	4,734	4,886 *	5,393	107
Florida	2,375 *	2,349	2,363	2,390	100	2,165	2,215	2,321	2,303	2,591	2,428	100
Georgia	32,327 *	31,948	32,277 *	30,935	95	25,711 *	26,126	26,128	25,930 *	25,517 *	26,800	107
Maryland	9,979	9,710	9,962 *	9,803	104	5,970	6,050	5,815	5,944	6,477 *	5,903	97
Mississippi	19,079	19,024	18,645	18,097	100	15,553	15,550	15,542	15,423	16,057	16,111	103
N. Carolina	19,685 *	18,842	20,269	19,585	104	15,734	15,491	14,771	15,423	15,161	15,260	102
Pennsylvania	4,001	3,851 *	3,933 *	3,907	104	2,717	2,719	2,693	2,627 *	2,591 *	2,878	103
S. Carolina	4,709	4,781	4,668	4,751	95	3,805	3,829	3,623	4,143	4,377 *	3,865	87
Texas	15,560	15,463	15,461	15,544	102	12,157	12,096	12,102	12,215	12,235	12,323	103
Virginia	6,492 *	6,504	6,451	6,503	98	5,734	5,661	6,211	5,376	5,180 *	5,249	92
CA TN & W VA	11,725 *	11,901 *	11,551 *	11,355	104	9,863 *	11,025 *	9,957 *	9,525 *	9,529 *	10,159	89
Total 2002	189,909 *	188,312 *	188,553 *	186,419		150,835 *	152,190 *	150,690 *	150,785 *	150,535 *	152,714	
Total 2001	188,248	187,312	185,833	185,626		152,217	151,659	149,544	150,134	147,931	150,873	
% PREV. YEAR	101	101	101	100		99	100	101	100	102	101	
APPROXIMATE MARKETING DATE 2002						11-May	18-May	25-May	01-Jun	08-Jun	15-Jun	

\* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

*Kentucky	6,798	6,724	6,607	6,292	--		5,368	5,330	5,149	5,144	5,271	5,639	--
*Oklahoma	6,449	6,339	6,592	6,478	--		4,770	4,928	5,377	4,778	4,642	5,489	--
*LA & MO	9,215	9,227	9,076 *	9,147	--		10,373	8,875	7,755	8,808	8,773	8,684	--
19 State Total	212,371 *	210,602 *	210,828 *	208,336			171,346 *	171,323 *	168,971 *	169,515 *	169,221 *	172,526	

\* Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States are being published for the first time in the weekly broiler program.

## **EGGS SET IN 15 MAJOR BROILER PRODUCING STATES UP SLIGHTLY**

**Commercial hatcheries in the 15-state weekly program set 186 million eggs during the week ending April 27, 2002. This was up slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.**

## **BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 1 PERCENT**

**Broiler growers in the 15-state weekly program placed 153 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 27, 2002. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2001. Cumulative placements from December 30, 2001 through April 27, 2002 were 2.55 billion, up 2 percent from same period a year earlier.**